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1. COMMERCE CONCURS WITH PROPOSAL PER REFTTEL (C) THAT CONTRACT WITH HAF FOR SUBJECT STUDIES BE EXECUTED IN SWISS FRANCS AT RATE PREVAILING AT TIME BID SUBMITTED, I.E., SFR 21,125 AT \$3.25 RATE.

2. ACCORDINGLY, POST AUTHORIZED ADDITIONAL DOLLARS ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY FIVE (\$1,295) FOR TOTAL AUTHORIZATION FOR STUDIES OF DOLS SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED NITETY FIVE (\$7,795) INCLUDING DOLS \$6,500 IN FY 1973 FUNDS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED. CHARGE INCREASE TO APPROPRIATION 134/51250 CODE K/522/1161-08/12-01/ 253-01. CONFIRMING BUDGET AUTHORIZATION IN AMOUNT INCREASE (\$1,295) FOLLOWS.

3. COMMERCE ASSUMES HAF IS ON SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETION REPORTS BY OCT 1, 1973 PER BERN 2692. POST MAY WISH TO INDICATE TO CONTRACTOR THAT COMMERCE ACCEPTANCE OF BID REVISION ENTAILS EXPECTATION OF A HIGH LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE AGAINST CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS.

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4. POST REQUESTED INFORM COMMERCE IF RECOMMENDATION PER PARA 6,
STATE A-2658 (THAT BIDS BE OBTAINED AND CONTRACTS EXECUTED, AS
POSSIBLE, IN THE LOCAL CURRENCY) IS CONTRARY TO POST PRACTICE
AND IF, THEREFORE, POST MAY FEEL CONSTRAINED IN FUTURE TO
OBTAIN BIDS IN DOLLARS.
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